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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 3, 2002, Applicants respectfully request amendment of the application as follows and reconsideration of the rejected claims based upon the following remarks.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on August 5, 2002

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